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TITLE: SPECTRAL VOLUME MICROPROBE ARRAYS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

With regard to the Application identified above, Applicants respectfully submit the following Preliminary Amendment. Applicants believe that no fees are due therefor, but if a fee is due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee due to Deposit Account No. 20-0531.

AMENDMENTS

In the Specification:

At page 1, line 4, please insert after the words "This application" the phrase -- is a continuation of co-pending United States patent application Serial No. 09/241,806, filed February 2, 1999, which application --.

Please cancel claims 1-104 without prejudice and please enter the following new claims.

In the Claims:

105. (New) A method for analyzing a biological sample, the method comprising the steps of: